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EDITORIAL

TARIFF COMPLICATIONS

If Canadian farmers ever began to tinker with "protection" they might be confronted with rather complicated problems. For instance, if they succumbed to some promise of substantial duties on foreign butter, would they be in a better or worse position to oppose a demand, say, for a tariff on cream separators, or higher duties on the trucks which bring their products to the shipping point, or on the fittings of dairy barns, or on a dozen other requirements of their industry, or on the necessities of life which they don't sell but have to buy?

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PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OWNERSHIP

Given equally efficient management in both instances, private ownership of power resources and of distribution lines cannot fail to be costly to the public as compared with Government ownership.

This will be made clear by a comparison of the rates at which Governments in sound financial position can borrow on the world's money markets, with the rates which private power corporations agree to pay on their preference shares alone, not to mention the much higher returns which common stock holders are led to anticipate.

The Alberta Government, for instance, can borrow money at less than 5 per cent. This is substantially less than the rate of interest on power corporation preference securities, while in addition to the payments on those securities the corporations must extract from the public, through rates, dividends for common stock holders, and an amount equal to the cost of selling securities, and of maintaining expensive "public relations" departments for the purpose of convincing the public that public ownership is undesirable.

The argument that public ownership makes for inefficiency breaks down completely when the power companies go to the public service to obtain their managers and other officials, as has recently been done in Alberta. When a man who for many years has been in charge of a Government Telephone System is taken into the service of a private corporation in a high executive position, the obvious reason is that the corporation considers him an efficient man—considers, in other words, that under his direction public ownership has proved efficient.

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A CO-ORDINATED SELLING POLICY

An announcement of importance appears in the Livestock Pool section of this issue. In the face of the Dominion-wide buying policy of the packers, livestock co-operatives throughout Canada plan to co-ordinate selling policies and thus increase their bargaining power. The decision is timely. The co-operatives should have the support of all producers.

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TEAPOT DOME AND POWER TRUST

There has been unearthed at Washington during the present year a power scandal as serious in many of its implications as the notorious Teapot Dome oil scandal of the Harding regime.

We have in our possession copies of the official reports which reveal the enormous power over the sources of public information which have been exercised and continue to be exercised by the United States power trust. Yet the proceedings in the investigation have received but a few inches of newspaper space at rare intervals. It may be that as the revelations before the Federal Trade commission incriminated important sections of the United States press, some United States news agencies have failed to see the news value of the evidence. Whether this be the case or not, the evidence has been widely published in the best of United States weeklies, and made available in this manner for our base. It would prove interesting to Alberta readers.

The Teapot Dome inquiry revealed the debauching of public men by the oil interests. That was "news". The power

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NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Activities of U.F.A. Locals and District Associations and Information from Central Office—Notes on Organization

Call to the Twenty-first Annual Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta

The Twenty-first Annual Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, and the United Farm Women of Alberta, will be held on January 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th, 1929, commencing at 10 o'clock sharp on the morning of the first day.

Place

The Convention will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Edmonton.

Representation From Locals

The representation at this Convention will be one delegate for every 20 members or major portion thereof. Each Local, however, will be entitled to at least one delegate. In order to be entitled to two delegates a Local must have at least 31 members in good standing, 51 members for three delegates, and so on. Each delegate must be a member of the Local appointing him. Representation can only be secured on the basis of the paid-up membership at Central Office.

All delegates must secure from their Local secretary the official delegate's certificate issued by the Central Office. Sufficient credential cards for the delegates that your Local is entitled to, according to the Central Office records at November 30th, are being sent you herewith. Additional cards will be mailed to Locals remitting dues to entitle them to more delegates.

To Secure Reduced Railway Rates

Convention rates will be in effect on the railways, the saving effected being approximately 16 per cent of the return fare. In order to secure these reduced rates it will be necessary to carefully follow these directions:

All delegates travelling to the Convention should secure a one-way single fare, first class railway ticket. In the event of having to travel over two lines of railway to reach the place of Convention purchase a one-way first class ticket for each part of the journey. With every ticket purchased by a delegate or visitor a Standard Certificate must be secured from the ticket agent. If the agent has no Standard Certificate, secure a receipt in its place. These Standard Certificates must be turned in to the registration staff at Edmonton upon arrival, in order to secure the benefit of the reduced Convention rates. After the Standard Certificates have been endorsed by the Provincial Secretary, they entitle the holder to a return rate of one-half of the one way fare plus a charge of 25 cents made by the Canadian Passenger Association for validation of the Standard Certificate.

The tickets cannot be purchased under the reduced rates, and the Standard Certificates secured prior to Friday, January 11th. All Standard Certificates issued on January 11th or any other time after that date up to January 17th will be valid and accepted by the railway company when properly signed and endorsed. The tickets will be good for return journey up to the night of Tuesday, January 22nd.

Visitors

Visitors are also entitled to the Convention rates, but they do not participate in the pool. They should secure a one-way ticket and standard certificate the same as the delegates, and turn in to the Registration staff for endorsation by the Convention Secretary. They will not, of course, have voting privileges, but can attend all sessions of either the men's or women's convention so far as accommodation permits. The U.F.W.A. will hold separate meetings at the same time as the men's convention, and in the same building.

Pool Rate

Attention of the Locals is directed to the amendment to the Constitution. The amended Constitution necessitates the pool rate being estimated in advance. The following is an extract from Section 6, sub-section 6, of the Constitution governing the pool rates:

"The railway fare of all duly qualified delegates to the Convention shall be borne equally by all the delegates, and for this purpose the Central Secretary shall estimate as nearly as possible the average railway fare in advance and advise all Locals of same, and all delegates whose round trip fares are less than this average shall be required at the time of registration to pay into the Pool the difference between their round trip fare and the average.

"Immediately the delegates are all registered the Secretary shall estimate the correct Pool Rate, and shall pay to all those whose total fare is greater than the Pool Rate the difference between the Pool Rate and the fare paid.

"In the event of the first estimated Pool Rate being greater than the correct Pool Rate, a refund of the difference between the two rates will be made to those delegates that had paid in to the Pool."

The Pool Rate estimate is $11.00. At the time of registration it will be necessary for all delegates whose round trip fare is less than this amount to pay the difference into the Pool. All those whose round trip fare is greater than this amount, will receive the difference from the Pool. When all delegates are registered the actual Pool Rate will be determined and adjustment will then be made.

Our Association is governed by the Annual Convention. If there are not sufficient funds in the treasury to cover your delegates' expenses, arrangements should be made to raise money by means of an entertainment, or in some way which the members approve of.

If your Local desires to send a strong representation to the Convention there is only a short time left to collect and send in dues for 1928. There is much to do between now and the Convention for every officer and member of every Local. The success of the Convention depends upon the interest and enthusiasm displayed by our Locals. Let every Local do its best to have a full representation.

Convention Resolutions

Resolutions for the Convention and Financial Statement are in the course of preparation and will be forwarded to each Local before the Convention. The resolutions are being published in *The U.F.A.* Publication commenced in the November 15th issue and resolutions will continue to appear in each issue prior to the Convention. We trust these resolutions are being read and discussed at your meetings.

Yours fraternally,
F. BATEMAN,
Secretary

Program of U.F.A. Annual Convention

(Subject to Change)

TUESDAY Morning, January 15th—

10:00—Official opening of the Convention.
"O Canada" sung by the Convention.
Invocation—Rev. Dr. McQueen, Pastor First Presbyterian church.
Opening Address—His Honor Lieut.-Governor Egbert.
Greetings—Hon. J. E. Brownlee, Premier of Alberta.
Address of Welcome—His Worship, Mayor Bury.
Election of Chairman of the Convention
Appointment of Committees:
Credentials.
Resolutions.
Order of Business.
Annual Address of the President.
Annual Address of President of U.F.W.A.
Annual Address of Junior President.
Report of the Board of Directors.

Tuesday Afternoon—

Ten minutes Organ Recital.
2 p.m.—Financial Statement.
Constitutional Amendments.
Resolutions.

Tuesday Evening—

8 p.m.—Address—Hon. Irene Parlby.
Resolutions.

WEDNESDAY Morning, January 16th—

"Organize," sung by the Convention.
9:30—Resolutions.
12:00 noon—Nominations for President 1929.

Wednesday Afternoon—

Ten minutes' Organ Recital.
2:00—Joint Session U.F.A. and U.F.W.A.
Ballot for the President, 1929.
Nominations for Vice-President.
Report of C.C. of A.
4:30—Ballot for Vice-President, 1929.

Wednesday Evening—

8:00 p.m.—Address—Dr. R. C. Wallace, President, University of Alberta, "The Meaning of Education."
Ten minute Addresses by Fraternal Delegates.
Resolutions.

THURSDAY Morning, January 17th—

"O Canada!" sung by the Convention.
9:30 a.m.—Resolutions.

Thursday Afternoon—

Ten minutes' Organ Recital.
Joint Session U.F.A. and U.F.W.A.
Report of *The U.F.A.*
Report of Convener, Senior Committee on Young People's Work.
Report of Junior Secretary.
1:30—Election of U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Directors.

Thursday Evening—
8:30 p.m.—Address—R. L. Seymour, Town Planning Commissioner.
Address—M. A. Larson, Manager, Central Alberta Dairy Pool.
Resolutions.

FRIDAY Morning, January 18th—
"Organize" sung by the Convention.
9:30—Resolutions.

Friday Afternoon—
Ten minutes' Organ Recital.
2:00 p.m.—Resolutions.

Friday Evening—
8:30 p.m.—Unfinished and New Business.
"God Save the King"

Major H. G. L. Strange, President of the Canadian Seed Growers Association, will also address the Convention at a time to be arranged by the Order of Business Committee.

CONVENTION SPEAKERS ACCEPT

Replies have been received by Central Office from most of the speakers who were invited to address the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Annual Conventions. Miss MacMillan, Miss Marryatt, Mrs. N. B. Spencer (former vice-president of the U.F.W.A.) Mrs. Guild and Mr. Corbett have all written accepting the invitation to speak before the U.F.W.A. Convention, and Dr. Wallace has signified his willingness to address the U.F.A. Convention.

PLAN SOCIAL EVENING

The City of Edmonton are arranging a social evening for delegates and visitors to the Annual Convention, to be held on Monday evening, January 14th, in the Macdonald Hotel. There will be dancing and a musical program.

CONVENTION RADIO PROGRAM

Arrangements have been made to broadcast the morning session each day during the Annual Convention, beginning at 10 a.m. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m., the Convention will be "on the air" and on Tuesday afternoon from 2 p.m. until 2:45, as well as on Thursday from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

The U.F.W.A. Convention will be broadcast on Tuesday afternoon from 2:45 p.m. to 5:30, and on Friday from 2 p.m. until 4:15.

Multiplies Membership by Six

Geo. E. Church, secretary of Butte U.F.A. Local, at Balzac, states that this Local has a paid up membership of 72 for 1928, and expects equally as many, if not more, for next year. In 1927 the membership was 12.

Why Our Membership Fee Is Five Dollars

Value of Activities Carried on Worth Many Times the Amount of the Fee—How to Strengthen Our Organization

By N. V. FEARNEHOUGH, Secretary Morrin U.F.A. Local

For the past three years the membership fee collected by the Morrin U.F.A. Local has been $5. In 1925, under the old $3 rate, we had 51 members; in 1926 at the $5 rate we had 37 members; 1927 only 31 members, but we had no membership drive in that year. This year we hope to be well over the 50 mark again.

In the old days the money for the sending of delegates to Conventions had to be raised by levies and the general financing of the Local, such as hall-rent, secretary's salary, District Association dues, etc., was met by the proceeds from dances, and so forth.

No Hindrance to Securing Members

So far we have not found that the $5 fee is the slightest hindrance in securing new members. If a man believes in the U.F.A. he knows it is cheap at $5. If he is one of the old "die-hards" you couldn't get him as a member at fifty cents. Besides it is generally the case that the more one pays for something the more interest one takes in it, and farmers as a class do not give away $5 bills unless they can see some returns for their money. So far their investment has yielded them several hundred per cent in a tangible way, by savings on lumber, fence posts and twine. Some can see the less obtrusive benefits of education and social betterment; on the other hand a good many can not.

Survey of Local Activities

The Local activities of our organization have been both many and varied, and to go back through the records to the beginning of things and trace all the various accomplishments of this Local would almost fill a whole issue of *The U.F.A.* Many of the resolutions originating in our meetings are today embodied in the laws of Alberta and Canada. In 1920, in co-operation with the G.W.V.A., we raised funds to build the hall in which we now hold our meetings—a hall which will comfortably hold several hundred people, with a dance floor as good as one could wish. It is impossible to appreciate the benefit to the social life of a community until a district has such a social centre as this, making possible Chatauquas, picture shows, conventions, besides the pleasures of dances and entertainments. Each year in the spring we hold a community sale. While not of much financial benefit to the Local, nevertheless it is a service to its members.

Formed Seed Growers Association

What might be called a branch Association of the Morrin U.F.A. is the Morrin Seed Growers Association. This association had its birth in the Local, and one has only to refer to the prize list of the last two Provincial Seed Fairs to see the good work it has done. Our president, F. J. Rock, this year won the Alberta Championship in the standing field crop competition in both wheat and oats.

We generally take care of the Seed oats situation, get action on car shortages, etc. We asked the C.N.R. this year for a snow fence and a well at the stock yards and received the most courteous attention to our requests, both of which were acceded to very promptly.

Two Present Objectives

Hardly a meeting passes without action being taken on some subject or other. At present we have two important objectives to fill, namely starting a co-operative store, and establishing a Ladies' Rest Room in Morrin. In the latter objective we are seeking the support of the Morrin U.F.W.A., the Ladies' Aid, Board of Trade and the Legion, in order to make it a truly co-operative effort. Also we are taking an active interest in the route of the proposed new Golden Wheat Belt Highway, endeavoring to get this road to come straight east from Hanna to within two miles of Morrin, before going south to Drumheller.

In Municipal Affairs

Then there are nearly always some recommendations to be made to the village council or the municipality ranging from hitching posts to health officers.

A live Local may well be likened to a little Local Parliament. In it one can

PRESIDENT MORRIN U.F.A. LOCAL

F. J. ROCK

SECRETARY MORRIN U.F.A. LOCAL

N. V. FEARNEHOUGH

air one's views, put the other fellow's point of view and what perhaps is the most important of all, feel a glow of pride in being a citizen of such a free democratic country as this Canada; and more especially this Alberta of ours—*more truly ours through the activities of our U.F.A. than ever we could have hoped for just a few years ago*, for do not our representatives, picked and chosen by ourselves, guard our Province both at Edmonton and Ottawa from the greedy hand of special privilege which is ever stretched out covetously towards our prairies, our mines, our forests, and our potential power sources!

Surely $5 is an insignificant sum to pay annually for even that sense of security alone!

What is worth having is worth paying for and just because we have one great achievement to our credit in the Wheat Pool, we need not rest on our laurels, but should rather push forward more vigorously than ever to other and greater achievements.

With reference to the work of the Morrin U.F.A. Local in the encouragement of the use of good seed, it is interesting to note that Mr. Rock's winnings in registered Marquis wheat in which he specializes, have been for the present season: Calgary Board of Trade cup for best 10 acres of wheat in Southern Alberta; Hoadley Cup for best 10 acres wheat, any variety, in Alberta; spring wheat at Royal Show, 10th; Victory oats, Royal Show, 11th; Chicago, Marquis wheat 5th, Victory oats, 13th. Mr. Rock has been a delegate to the U.F.A. Annual Convention for the past sixteen years. He has been president of the Morrin Local for the past three.—*Editor.*

HANDLE CAR OF COAL

A carload of coal was handled recently by Ridgewood U.F.A. Local according to a report from the secretary, C. W. Long. This Local put on a play, "Mother Love," on December 14th.

AT IRMA AND JARROW

H. E. Spencer, M.P., addressed meetings in the Irma and Jarrow districts, according to the *Irma Times*, when he outlined to his hearers the work of the past session of Parliament.

CHORNAHORA LOCAL

Chornahora was the name chosen for a new U.F.A. Local organized by D. MacLachlan in the Tawatinaw district. Dan Nahirny and Walter C. Gale were elected as officers.

NEW JOINT LOCAL

Mrs. H. E. G. H. Scholefield was the organizer of a new joint Local at Delacour recently, when A. E. Bailey and Mrs. R. H. Berry were elected provisional officers. S. J. Ewing and H. E. G. H. Scholefield also addressed the organization meeting.

HIGH RIVER JOINT MEETING

H. B. McLeod presided over a joint meeting of High River U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. Locals, says the *High River Times*, when a talk by Walter Little, recently returned from a year's visit with the Dean of Windsor, was an enjoyable feature of the evening.

BURNSIDE AND DIDSBURY EAST

Didsbury East U.F.A. Local joined with Burnside U.F.A. Local for their November 18th meeting, when Mrs. Hepburn and G. H. Biggs, U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. Directors, spoke. "Each gave a very interesting talk which was much enjoyed by all present," writes Mrs. Ruth Eckel, secretary.

From 24 Paid-up Members to 257

As a result of a vigorous membership drive, recently concluded, Lougheed U.F.A. Local have now a paid-up membership of 257—an increase of 233 over last year, when the total was 24. They expect to send thirteen delegates to the Annual Convention, this being the full quota to which their large membership entitles them, according to word received from A. Skoberg, Secretary. The Lougheed Local have thus established a record membership, at least in so far as recent years are concerned.

LOCAL PUTS COOK CAR

"We have bought a cook car and placed it at the school for the use of our women folk in cooking suppers," writes A. MacMillan, secretary of Plainfield U.F.A. Local, "also we have bought a piano for the school. We are holding a chicken supper next week, and we intend that Plainfield will do their share in keeping the U.F.A. up to full strength."

SIXTEEN NEW MEMBERS

Sixteen new members were added to Iron Creek U.F.A. Local in a recent membership drive, which was terminated with an oyster supper and entertainment. A prize was awarded to the member who secured the most new members, writes the secretary, Kenneth McPherson. Several carloads of coal were distributed at cost by the Local, to members.

NAVIGATED DANGEROUS ROCKS

Members of the newly reorganized Hussar U.F.A. Local have taken a definite stand "to conduct the Local on strictly constitutional lines as regards eligibility," writes F. J. Muller, secretary, "and this leads me to believe that we have navigated successfully the dangerous rock upon which the previous Locals came to an inglorious end." W. S. Moffatt is president of this Local.

CORRECTION

The Olds Provincial Constituency convention, recently held, referred back to Locals for further consideration a resolution regarding the improvement of rural school administration, for want of sufficient material to assist in coming to a decision. In the report which appeared in the December 1st issue of *The U.F.A.* it was stated in error that a resolution re imprisonment for debt had been referred back.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

"The Kirkpatrick U.F.A. is to be congratulated on the social evenings they have been putting on at the Newal schoolhouse, and now to go one better they come out with a whole winter's program commencing with the debate on the 7th of December and a great big Christmas entertainment at Peace Valley school. Newal school and the Kirkpatrick U.F.A. are combining their efforts and abilities to make this a real entertaining evening." —*Youngstown Pioneer.*

IN WETASKIWIN

Wm. Irvine, M.P., and Hon. V. W. Smith were speakers at a well attended meeting in Wetaskiwin recently, says the *Wetaskiwin Times*. Mr. Smith outlined the development of the Provincial railways from 1921 until the time of their sale. Mr. Irvine declared that the present system of government was cumbersome and inefficient and that one of the objectives of the U.F.A. group was to substitute for this a co-operative system. He also described the work of the past session of Parliament. E. K. Rasmussen was chairman.

HOME PRESENTATION

"A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bell, on the eve of their departure for B.C., when about 25 members of the local U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. met to bid them goodbye and wish them every success in their new home. The President with a few words presented Mrs. Bell with a purse as a small token of the esteem in which she was held by the members of the U.F.W.A. Refreshments were served and the evening passed quickly with songs and recitations, closing with 'Auld Lang Syne' and 'They Are Jolly Good Fellows'."—*Okotoks Review.*

SPENCER IN PROVOST DISTRICT

Last week, says the *Provost News*, H. E. Spencer, M.P., held several meetings in the Provost district. Mr. Spencer summarized the debates on the speech from the throne and the budget, and also dealt with the work of the standing committees, with special reference to the valuable work done in the enquiry into the protein content of wheat and the investigation into the Immigration Department. Mr. Spencer also referred to the expenses incurred for public works, care of Indians, aids to navigation, etc., and the interest on the national debt which this year amounted to over $128,000,000.

ANDREWS GIVES ADDRESS

"The social held by Lawhill U.F.A., on November 30th, was voiced by a crowd of nearly 80 as a great success. A. G. Andrews, M.L.A., spoke on Alberta's railways, education, public health, telephones, and light and power. Mrs. Colvin was at her best in song. John Edge and Eddie Powell were splendid in that old sea song 'Larboard Watch.' Eddie Powell presided at the piano in his masterly style. Nels M. Toppe was in his happiest vein in the chair. Hearty votes of thanks to speakers and singers brought the entertainment to a close, after which the ladies called all to refreshment—justice being done to the many good things purveyed."—*Killam News.*

EAGLE HILL BOX SOCIAL

Eagle Hill U.F.A. Local held a very successful Box Social and Dance on November 30th, writes Mrs. O. Arneson, secretary. The members are putting on a banquet at their annual meeting, when it is hoped that A. Speakman, M.P., and N. S. Smith, M.L.A., will be present. "It was with deep regret," writes Mrs. Arneson, "that this Local had to accept the resignation of J. E. von Schmidt as vice-president, owing to his activities with the field service of the Wheat Pool." This Local also enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Hepburn and G. H. Biggs, U.F.W.A. and

U.F.A. directors, in November. Mrs. Hepburn gave an address on U.F.W.A. work, and Mr. Biggs dealt with the history of the Wheat Pool.

STANMORE ANNUAL MEETING

"The annual meeting of the Stanmore U.F.A. Local was held in the municipal hall on Thursday, November 29th. The following is a list of the officers elected for the coming year: president, Paul Meyer; vice-president, Joe Kraemer; secretary, Mrs. R. Burton. Entertainment Committee: Mrs. A. Scott, Mrs. T. A. Anderson, Mrs. Geo. Zinger, Mr. John Montgomerie. Directors: Messrs. T. G. Levins, J. J. McIntosh, O. Beales, A. Scott, T. A. Anderson. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the retiring officers for their work during the past year, which has placed the finances of the Local in a very satisfactory condition. Sixteen members enrolled for the next year, which number, it is hoped, will soon be augmented. A pleasant feature of the meeting was a lunch generously supplied by Mrs. T. G. Levins and much enjoyed by all."—*Youngstown Plaindealer.*

MATHESON ADDRESSES MEETINGS

A. M. Matheson, M.L.A., addressed a large gathering under the auspices of Woodville U.F.A. Local on November 24th, discussing municipal and school matters and the power question. Following his address, those present sat down to a chicken supper, which was later followed by a dance. Mr. Matheson also addressed meetings recently at Lavoy, Longridge Local near Holden, a joint meeting of Bardo and Kingman Locals (where he dealt by request with the matter of Rural Credits), Tofield, and two meetings at Mundare. Mr. Matheson in his various addresses appealed to those present not to allow their interest in their commercial organizations to overshadow their interest in the parent U.F.A. organization, and exhorted them to carefully tend the tree from which those different branches had sprung.

AT COALDALE

"The home of Mrs. J. J. Leffler was the scene of a busy gathering on Tuesday afternoon when the Coaldale U.F.W.A. held their meeting for December, anticipating the regular date, the first Thursday, on account of the Lethbridge District Convention of the U.F.A. next month. A big feature of the afternoon was the address of Mrs. F. E. Wyman, of the U.F.W.A. executive, previously reported. Mrs. Wyman expressed herself as being delighted at the spirit and interest of the meeting, while enjoying the cup that cheers before leaving on the evening train for Taber. The election of officers resulted as follows: president, Mrs. Harvey Halverson; vice-president, Mrs. T. P. Bowlby; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. T. Correy."—*Lethbridge Herald.*

Peace River Federal U.F.A. Convention January 14th

The Annual Convention of the Peace River Federal Constituency Association will be held in the Labor Hall, Edmonton, on Monday, January 14th, commencing at 1 p.m. As in the past it will be a joint session with West Edmonton.

A good program has been provided and all Locals are urged to send their quota of delegates. Junior Locals are cordially invited to send representatives.

Trusting that your Local will be represented and help to make this another successful Convention,

Naples, Alta. JOS. MESSMER, Sec'y

NAMAKA CONVENTION

The Namaka U.F.A. District Association will hold their annual convention in Strathmore on December 18th. Sessions will be held in the morning and in the afternoon, and a special luncheon has been arranged. H. E. G. H. Scholefield will be one of the speakers.

Athabasca Federal U.F.A. Convention

Road for Highway North of Saskatchewan River to St. Paul Urged

The Annual Convention for the Athabasca U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Federal Constituency Association was held in Edmonton in the Labor Hall on the 29th of November, 1928. The Convention was called to order by the President, Fred Mawson, of Vilna.

The financial report showed a deficit, created owing to the heavy obligation of the 1925 and 1926 campaign. (We urge upon every U.F.A. member to help us out with this deficit; no matter how small it may be. Any one wishing to contribute please forward on to the secretary.)

Discussion of resolutions formed an important part of the program. It was urged upon the Federal members to try to speed up the Long Term Farm Loan Act, which was passed last session; also a resolution was passed to bring to the attention of the Provincial Government the need for a highway north of the Saskatchewan river from Edmonton to St. Paul.

Directors Elected

The directors elected were as follows: H. Schaute, Plamondon; H. Mackrias, Lac La Biche; M. Monpeltiere, Legal; F. Scott, Waskatenau; Hugo Carlson, Athabasca; Jno. Nichols, Clyde; R. McAllister, Eldorena; A. Rafa, Bon Accord; J. M. Drain, St. Paul; W. Blewsette, Gibbons; W. Parham, North Bank; M. Haydak, Vilna; J. Roperon, Bellis; Wm. McKansky, St. Paul; R. Antonuk, Smoky Lake; Mr. Wilkinson, Willow Springs; Mr. Jennings, Rochester. President, Fred Mawson, Vilna; Vice-President, Jno. Nichols, Clyde; Secretary-Treasurer, C. J. Stimpfle, Egremont. Officers ex-officio: Mrs. A. H. Warr, Waskatenau, U.F.W.A. Director; Mr. D. MacLachlan, Clyde, U.F.A. Director.

C. J. STIMPFLE,
Sec.-Treas.

Egremont, Alta.

Chareholm Urges Public Ownership of Power

The annual convention of Chareholm U.F.A. Provincial Constituency Association, held in Chareholm on December 5th, was "a success in every way," wrote F. H. Laing, secretary.

G. B. Walker, M.L.A., gave a very comprehensive review of the Province's affairs, including a complete history of the Provincial Railways. Mr. Walker did not anticipate any material reduction in taxation, as the public were demanding new services, and the outlying districts had to be served. The Government's health program alone called for an expenditure of $330,000 a year. Public ownership of power development would be a vast undertaking financially, he said, and people should ponder whether they would care to have the Province shoulder such a burden just after the railway situation had been relieved.

G. G. Coote, M.P., dealt particularly with the matter of protein content of wheat in connection with grading, and the distribution of cars for wheat shipping.

At the evening meeting addresses were given by Hon. J. F. Lymburn and W. H. Shield, M.L.A. Mr. Lymburn declared that the cities suffered by dividing their representation between Liberals and Conservatives, and challenged anyone to define the difference between the two.

Mr. Shield gave a very clear exposition of the Province's finances. Some $18,000,000 of indirect liabilities had been consolidated by the U.F.A. administration as public debt; while this might be poor politics it made possible a substantial saving in interest charges.

Resolutions adopted favored Provincial ownership of power development; Old Age Pensions; abolition of beer parlors; adequate control of stock companies. Election of officers resulted as follows: president, E. W. Brown; vice-president, R. A. McLeod; secretary, F. H. Laing.

An excellent musical program was given during the evening session by Mrs. John Amundsen, Miss Nellie Wallis and T. R. Scott.

Lethbridge Two Days' Convention Is Success

The Lethbridge District U.F.A. Convention was held in the Masonic Hall on December 6th and 7th, 1928. This was the Executive's first venture in having a two-days' convention, but we found it a huge success while the extra expense was very slight.

It was with considerable trepidation that the Executive decided to hold a convention this fall, for so many of the Locals had seemingly lost interest and lost ground but we should have known that under the seeming apathy were true, loyal hearts. So the call went out and the response was splendid. Larger audiences and better spirit, with so many sane, temperate resolutions being brought forward.

The morning of the first day was given over to welcomes and appointment of committees. In the afternoon resolutions were interspersed before, between and after speeches.

Lymburn's Address

This was the afternoon when we listened with such keen interest to Hon. J. F. Lymburn. I think all will agree with me when I state that we never had a speaker who held his audience better than Mr. Lymburn. In his well-modulated voice he discussed such questions as immigration, stating that the racial complexion of the country should be carefully guarded and the predominant bloodstrain kept pure. He went on to explain to some extent the group political system and many other topics.

Mr. Lymburn's speech was followed by a very sweet solo by Miss Lindley, while just before it Mrs. Elinson broke the monotony of resolutions by a comical reading.

Then came a short address by L. H. Jelliff, M.P. Although late in the afternoon Mr. Jelliff spoke with much vim on the Wheat Pool, on the grading of wheat by its protein standard, claiming that a stricter enforcement of the Canada Grain Act as it stands today would solve many problems.

The rest of the afternoon was spent in discussing resolutions until the convention adjourned to go to a banquet

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The Consumers' Co-operative Movement

Wetaskiwin U.F.A. Co-operative Assn. Has Outstanding Success

Interest and Loyalty of Large Gathering of Shareholders and Patrons Shown at Annual Meeting

The Wetaskiwin U.F.A. Co-operative Association, Ltd., is one of the outstanding examples of a successful co-operative store in this Province. It has entered the eleventh year with brighter prospects than at any time in its history. Its growth has been gradual but substantial until its last financial report reveals a turnover of nearly one quarter of a million dollars.

Secret of Success

The annual meeting of this association took place in Wetaskiwin on November 28th. To an observant outsider the secret of the success of this co-operative venture could easily be discovered in the interest and loyalty of the large crowd of shareholders and patrons which met to transact their own business at this annual meeting.

The balance sheet indicated an increase in turnover since the last report of $10,000, with a gross profit of $26,690.52. After setting aside from gross profits 8 per cent for interest on capital and 10 per cent to reserve, etc., there remained over $10,000 profit for distribution as patronage dividends. The manner in which the net profit was to be distributed was the cause of considerable debate both at the directors' meeting and also at the convention.

The directors recommended that the declared dividends of 5 per cent be disbursed 2 per cent in cash and 3 per cent in stock of the Association. But there was a minority report also from the directors to the effect that the patronage dividend should be paid entirely in stock or with an option of 2 per cent in goods. The minority report was moved as an amendment to the directors' report by Mr. Carl Hansen and seconded by Mr. Rasmussen the latter speaking at some length to the counter proposal.

Mr. Rasmussen's Arguments

The substance of Mr. Rasmussen's argument was that it would be short-sighted business to drain the treasury of a developing enterprise by paying cash dividends when the capital of $15,000 was not sufficient in relation to the stock which had to be carried, that while the building and stock were together worth $80,000, it was possible that the directors might have to borrow from the bank to pay the declared dividend were it to be paid in cash. He also stressed the point that the business should be so substantially financed that the very minimum of bank interest should have to be paid; and further that when the next cycle of depression arrives the directors might have to borrow extensively on their personal credit to keep the business afloat unless the undertaking were properly capitalized; this had been necessary on previous occasions and should not occur again. He contended that if the minority report were accepted the result would be that either goods would be turned over, or the capital of the Association would be increased to a degree that would insure the future against possible danger.

None of the other directors argued against the amendment, but were content to leave the decision to the shareholders assembled. The amendment was carried with but one dissenting vote and thus the co-operators of Wetaskiwin protected their business from the most common and fatal danger known to co-operative retail.

To Banquet Retiring Manager

The only regretful note of the entire proceedings was the announcement by the chairman of the board, Fred Freeman, who presided, that A. P. Moan, the manager, had resigned his position to take another and more important one in the co-operative field, and that his resignation had been accepted. Mr. Moan has been the manager of the Wetaskiwin "Co-op" since its inception. Much of the success of the Association has been directly due, not only to his capacity as a business manager, but perhaps to an equal degree to his attractive and friendly personality. He has been a leader in the community as well as manager and will carry to his new sphere of activity the good will of the district as a whole. The entire gathering rose to its feet to express appreciation of Mr. Moan's services, and instructed the directors to tender a banquet to the retiring manager on some convenient date prior to his departure.

The directors whose term of office expired this year were E. Peterson, Roy Ballhorn and Carl Hansen. Mr. Ballhorn and Mr. Hansen were both re-elected and J. B. Rickard was elected in place of Mr. Peterson who retires from the board, having been selected to succeed Mr. Moan to the managership.

The New Manager

The new manager has grown up with the business. While still a young man he was on the original board of directors and has been acting in that capacity until offered the position he is now to occupy. He is familiar with the problems of a co-operative store, having grappled with them throughout the history of the Wetaskiwin Association. He was selected by the board out of a number of applicants, and it is generally believed that he will prove a fitting successor to the retiring manager.

Co-operation Includes Staff

Another point of interest and one which reflects great credit on the board of directors, is the provision as shown in the financial report for paying 7 per cent of the net profits to the staff as a bonus. Thus co-operation includes the staff as well as the patrons.

Lunch was provided by the Association and was served by the ladies of the Swedish Lutheran Church. The ladies did honour to themselves by the efficiency in service which they provided.

Wm. Irvine Delivers Address

After the completion of the business, W. Irvine, M.P., was asked to give an address. He developed two points of interest to the Co-operative movement, the one dealing with centralized buying and the other with finance. He reviewed the history of certain co-operative efforts in the retail business in Canada and argued that complete success could not be expected until co-operators learned to co-operate among themselves. That is to say, that all co-operative stores should co-operate to buy their goods as a unit. He pointed out that steps now being taken were in the direction of a co-operative wholesale and congratulated Mr. Moan on his appointment as manager of that important department.

Mr. Irvine then congratulated the Association on its decision to take stock in the company to the amount of the patronage dividend, pointing out that lack of capital was one of the chief difficulties experienced by co-operative stores. He warned the shareholders and patrons that a slump following the present business improvement was inevitable under the present system of finance and that co-operators should not allow themselves to be snuffed out by the curtailment of credit by the banks during depression. Sufficient capital would militate against such a possibility, although the ultimate cure of this evil was the social control of credit. He instanced the case of the Maritime Co-operative Movement which was killed while in a healthy condition by the bank refusing to allow the Co-operative Association to use its credit during the post-war slump.

Thus concluded the largest annual meeting in the ten year history of the Wetaskiwin Co-operative Association.

SUCCESSFUL MANAGER

A. P. MOAN

who will retire from management of Wetaskiwin U.F.A. Co-operative Association at the end of this year to become Manager of the Alberta Co-operative Wholesale

Resolutions Indicate U. F. A. Annual Convention Will Deal With Vital Topics

Further List Shows Wide Range of Problems Will Be Covered

The first list of resolutions for the U.F.A. Annual Convention was published in *The U.F.A.* of November 15th; others were printed in the issue of December 1st. Other resolutions follow:

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

Hydro Electric Power

Whereas, many private interests are trying to monopolize and obtain franchises for various hydro-electrical projects throughout the Province;

Be it resolved, that the Provincial Government develop all remaining hydro electric power within the Province of Alberta, and that in our opinion now is the opportune time.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Public Ownership of Power

Whereas, strenuous efforts are being made at the present time to seize control of utilities now held and operated in the interest of the people, and

Whereas, such efforts, if successful, will mean the further enslavement of the consuming public;

Be it resolved, that the U.F.A. and the Provincial Government do everything possible to frustrate the desires of those who are striving to make of the people of this Province mere dividend creators, and

Be it further resolved, that in regard to the question of water power development now so widely discussed, we are unalterably opposed to such development and control by private interests, and that the Provincial Government carry on such development for the benefit of all the people of the Province.—Lac Ste. Anne Provincial C.A.

NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL

Homesteads for Women

Resolved, that women should be permitted to file on homesteads on the same status as men.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Watered Stock

Resolved, that this Convention request the U.F.A. Group to do all in its power to further legislation for the prevention of watered stock in capital companies.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Long Term Loans

Whereas, it is becoming extremely difficult for farmers to secure money for agricultural purposes and almost impossible to pay rates of interest and other charges demanded where loans are advanced, and

Whereas, there appears to be no disposition on the part of the Federal Government to voluntarily interfere with the monopoly of the profiteers of finance;

Be it resolved, that the Provincial Government continue to press for the immediate operation of the provisions of the Long Term Loans recently passed by the Federal Government, and if unsuccessful in their efforts in that direction, that they make an aggressive and sincere effort to work out in this Province some system whereby it will be possible for farmers to secure much needed capital on terms and conditions as will afford them some measure of relief from the present legalized system of excessive cost.—Lac Ste. Anne Provincial C.A.

Farm Loan Act

Resolved, that we ask our Federal members to use every means in their power to have the Dominion Government put into immediate operation the Farm Loan Act.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Intermediate Credit for Agriculture

Whereas, neither the Long Term Farm Loan Act nor the existing commercial banking system make satisfactory provision for the necessary intermediate credits required by agriculture, and

Whereas, every important country in the world, excepting Canada, has provided such intermediate credit for this primary industry;

Be it therefore resolved, that we request immediate action to the end that the necessary facilities for intermediate credits for agriculture be promptly established.—Bow Valley Provincial C.A.

Immigration

As the Immigration policy as at present conducted is not in the best interest of Canada, and will only benefit the big transportation companies and a few land speculators and manufacturers, and

Whereas, mass immigration tends to lower the standard of living for the working class and drive the farmers into cities or out of the country, and

Whereas, we have a great number of farmer boys and other citizens in villages and towns who have been or are working for farmers and thereby have practical knowledge of farming in Western Canada who would like to secure a farm of their own but lack the necessary capital to start farming;

Be it therefore resolved, that we ask the Dominion Government to discontinue the present immigration policy and instead set apart sufficient moneys to loan to our own citizens at a low rate of interest, and on long terms, so as to enable them to secure a farm of their own, thereby keeping our own citizens here and making more employment for immigrants who come to Canada on their own initiative, those being the only immigrants who are welcome.—Bow Valley Provincial C.A.

Old Age Pensions

Be it resolved, that we ask the Provincial Government to pass the necessary legislation which will take advantage of the Federal scheme of Old Age Pensions.—Lac Ste. Anne Provincial C.A.

Insurance of Public Buildings

Be it resolved, that we are in favor of the Provincial Government at the earliest opportunity creating an insurance scheme for all our public buildings.—Lac Ste. Anne Provincial C.A.

Amendment Municipal Act

Whereas, we understand that the Government is considering bringing in a bill to amend the Municipal Act so that farm buildings will be assessed for taxation as improvements, and

Whereas, we believe this would tend to discourage the building of a good class of farm buildings which are an asset to the country;

Therefore be it resolved, that we are opposed to such a form of taxation.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Threshers' Licenses

Whereas, the Alberta Provincial Police and Weed Inspectors are unable to carry out their duties in regard to threshers' licenses and notices due to the fact that there is considerable delay in the issuing of licenses by the Provincial Government;

Be it resolved, that licenses be issued by local Justices of the Peace, members of the Alberta Provincial Police or Municipal Secretaries.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Trapping Season for Muskrats

Whereas, the season for trapping muskrats has been from March 1st to April 30th, and

Whereas, it is more difficult to police the lakes at the end of the season;

Therefore be it resolved, that the season starts at 12 o'clock noon on April 1st and ends April 30th.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Noxious Weeds

Whereas, noxious weeds are becoming a serious menace in the Province, and

Whereas, railway rights-of-way are the most prolific breeders of these noxious weeds;

Be it resolved, that the Railway Companies be compelled to keep their rights-of-way free from all noxious weeds.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Game Act

Resolved, that the Provincial Government be recommended to make a thorough enquiry into clauses of the Game Act respecting the trapping of muskrats with a view to general improvement of the same.—Pembina Provincial C.A.

Highways and Market Roads

Resolved, that our Provincial Government spend equal amounts on highways and market roads.—Olds Provincial C.A.

Public Health Clinics

Whereas, there appears to be a doubt in the matter of the continuance of the Public Health Clinic;

Be it resolved, that we urge the necessity of not only the continuance of the clinic, but also the widening of its scope.—Lac Ste. Anne Provincial C.A.

Amendment Land Titles Act

Whereas, under the present practice of the Land Titles offices at Calgary and Edmonton, a writ of execution against one person affects all other persons owning

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News from Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office

Information for Members and Lands Issued by the Publicity Department of the Alberta Wheat Pool

A Wheat Pool contract is the Canadian Farmer's Charter of Independence. Through his Wheat Pool he is for the first time in control of his own affairs, able to deal on equal terms with any business or financial institution, however powerful, and is at last in a position to carry out an intelligent and consistent policy in marketing his grain.

A CHARTER OF INDEPENDENCE

What was a bold experiment five years ago is now the dominant factor in the grain trade of the world; the biggest business in Canada; the greatest producers' co-operative marketing association which has ever existed. It should be a matter of pride to all farmers not only of Canada but of all countries, that this organization has been built up and is officered, directed and operated by the farmers themselves.

In the first five years of its operations the farmers of Western Canada marketed through their Pools more than seven hundred and fifty million bushels of grain and handled more than a billion, one hundred million dollars. The Pools have started their second contract period with a greater measure of control over the crop, with millions of acres more under contract than when they began operations; with more than fourteen hundred country elevators and eleven huge terminal elevators with total storage capacity in country and terminal elevators of over eighty million bushels. Over twenty million dollars has been invested by Pool members in commercial and elevator reserves. Each year marks another long step forward in handling Pool grain through Pool facilities. The three Provinces are dotted with Pool elevators and it will not be long before there is a Pool elevator at practically every station in the wheat producing areas of Western Canada.

Since the formation of the Pools there was no more possibility of the Western farmer giving up the control he had secured on marketing his grain to the private trade than there was of his casting aside his binder and combine to harvest his crop with the cradle or the sickle. There was the question, however, as to what the attitude of the Pool member would be should low prices come at a time when contracts were being renewed. The testing time came just when Pool contracts were expiring last August, and the results have justified those who had faith in the common sense and determination of the Western farmer. When world wheat markets slumped in August, Wheat Pool contracts poured in a flood into all Pool offices, and the reaction on world markets was immediate and significant.

One of the factors which has been of the greatest help and encouragement to the farmer in building up his Pools has been the whole-hearted support given to the Pool Movement by the business, professional and financial men of the West. They realize what the Pools have accomplished in improving the farmer's financial condition, in creating a new community spirit, in building up the spirit of hope and confidence which animates Western Canada today even in the face of such a disaster as the destructive frosts of last August.

Consumers in the wheat importing countries of the world are looking with friendlier eyes on the Canadian Wheat Pool as they understand it better and see it as a great stabilizing factor in world markets, an organization which is endeavoring to eliminate speculative profits in wheat and secure for the producer a price which will give him a reasonable return for his labor without holding up the price for the consumer.

The Wheat Pool is helping all the farmers of Canada who grow wheat, but it benefits most those who have built it up and who, through their Pool, have taken out their charters of independence as farmers and who henceforth intend to run their own business.

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Commenting on the Canadian Wheat Pools, Ernst & Ernst, one of the largest firms of chartered accountants in the United States, in a recent bulletin state:

The question as to whether Canadian Wheat Pool can market its huge crop in orderly fashion without precipitate dumping on the world's markets hinges on storage facilities and financing. Financing is a question for the farmers and their marketing Pools. The Pools are in a stronger financial position than last year. Their combined capital is something over twenty million dollars, representing both cash reserve and elevators. This in itself is not so important as their banking credit, and this is good. Wheat finance committees of Canadian banks have expressed themselves as willing and able to accommodate the Pools to whatever extent is necessary this year, assuming that the conservative management policies of the past are maintained. Money rates are higher than last year, but the opinion among American wheat specialists familiar with the Canadian wheat situation is that stiffer financing costs will not prove a serious handicap to orderly marketing. Nevertheless this is referred to as the "test year" for the Canadian Pools.

STORAGE AND FINANCING

The procedure of withholding part of the value of the wheat, combined with the willingness of banks to extend accommodations, makes the financing a somewhat easier proposition than for the private wheat trade of the United States. Banking loans aggregate $35,000,000 and perhaps more have been extended at times.

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There remaining no further doubts as to functioning of the Alberta Wheat Pool for another sign-up period, opposition to the Pool is now taking another slant, says Observer in the *Alberta Farmer*. While there seemed to be hope of killing the second term sign-up, attack by the Pool's enemies was directed to a discrediting of the organization in general terms in the eyes of wheat growers. Now it has turned to the courts. An Alberta wheat grower who was a member of the Pool during the first sign-up term expresses dissatisfaction by entering suit against the Pool management in which he claims many things. If he were to succeed in his action, the demonstration would be to the discredit of the Pool's management, not of the Pool itself or of the Pool principle. This is something worth remembering. It is no new thing for us to have to suffer because of human frailty; that sort of thing is the common experience of mankind. But suffering of that sort is bearable when we are certain that the cause or the principle for which we are labouring is correct and that no flaws are to be found in it by its critics. Whether this action will go against the Pool management or otherwise remains to be seen. Meanwhile it behooves Pool members to stand firm for the Pool principle and refuse to be stampeded, whatever the result may be. If mistakes in management or administration have been made, it is possible to correct them and by correction make the Pool organization just that much stronger and even more fool-proof. If there has been no mistake, so much the better; the organization will have been justified by the action of its opponents. So no matter what the result, the Pool stands to gain.

POOL ENEMIES TURN TO COURTS

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"One of the greatest handicaps of agriculture is temporary overproduction," said President Coolidge of the United States, in an address to the National Grange. "The world is hungry to consume all that the farmer over raises. His difficulty arises from attempting to sell at the wrong time or the wrong place. The most successful method of meeting this difficulty has been through co-operative associations.

COOLIDGE ON CO-OPERATION

"This Movement toward co-operative marketing is still in its infancy. It avoids any attempt at price-fixing or putting the Government into business. It rests on the sound merchandising principle of taking the product and disposing of it in the most advantageous way that shrewd and orderly marketing affords. Such further assistance as is necessary to render this effort more effective through getting up a board for its administration, supplied with sufficient funds to demonstrate its soundness in its experimental stage, may well be provided by the Government."

"In Canada," explains the *Washington Post*, "This plan of disposing of farm products by the farmers themselves is now operating with conspicuous success. It eliminates unnecessary handling and reduces the spread between producer and consumer. Farmers get more for their wheat, while the consumer pays no more. Naturally, the middlemen now handling American farm staples will fight the proposal, but a determined stand by the friends of farm-relief can put the plan through Congress. It is an enormous undertaking, calling for the expenditure of hundreds of millions and the creation of a vast organization. It can succeed only with the united support of the farmers themselves. If they prove indifferent to the co-operative movement, it is quite possible that the plan would fail. But the farmers have many examples of success before their eyes."

New Life and Vigor in Alberta Wheat Pool

THE ANNUAL MEETING

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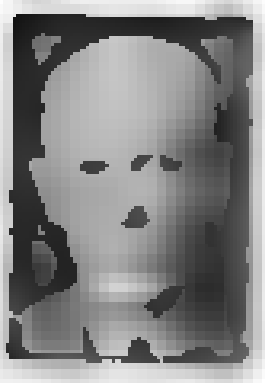
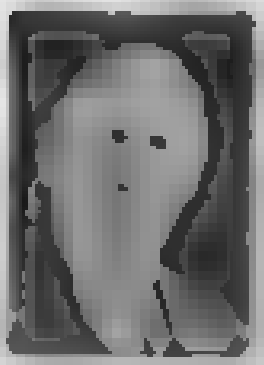
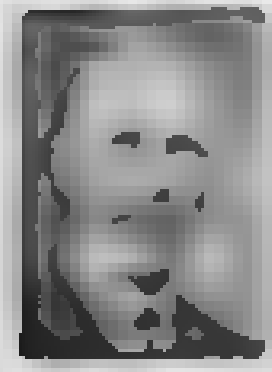
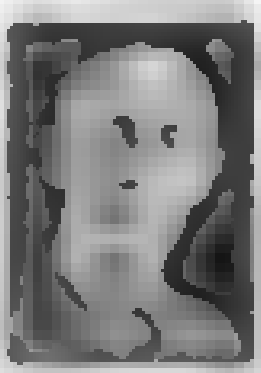
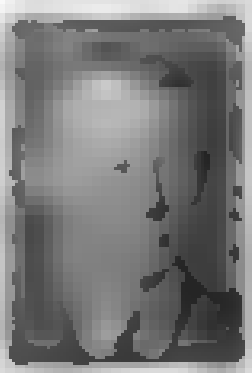


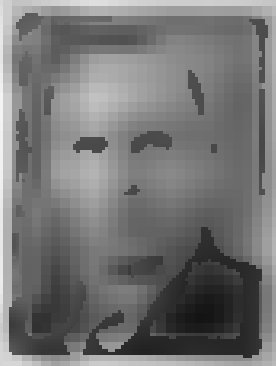


Alberta Wheat Pool Directors Re-elected









Post Convention Notes

FEMALE ROLE DESCRIPTIONS

PERSONS QUARTET

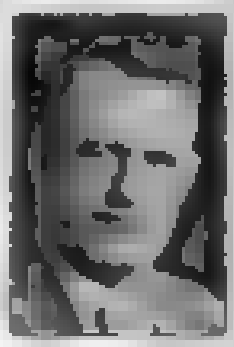
GROUP RAPSODY

"What was Joy?"
"Spend my savings and my vacation.

Alberta Wheat Pool Field Service

South-eastern Alberta Now Producing Large Quantities of Pool Wheat

Wheat Pool Progress in Red Deer District



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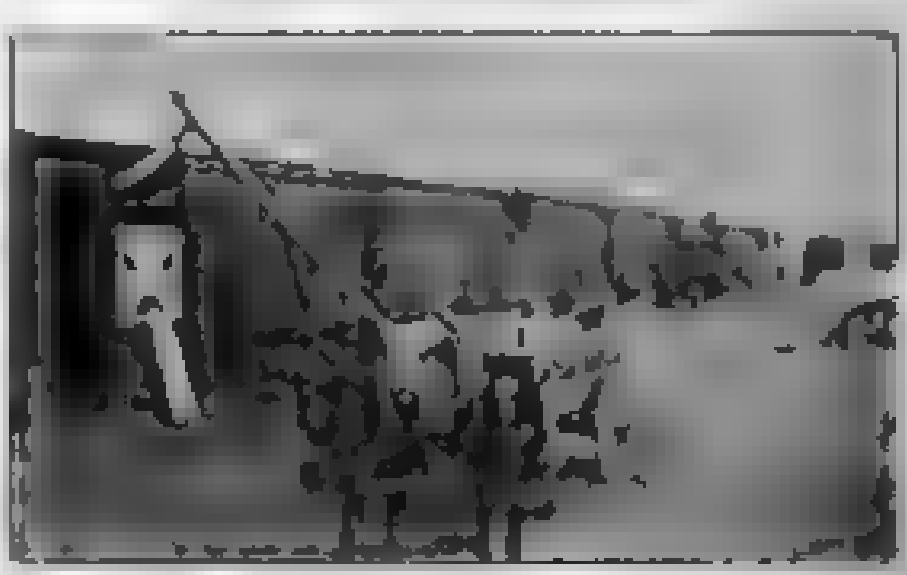


Growers' Rights Under Campbell Amendment to The Canada Grain Act

Sales Manager's Address Tells of Last Year's Operations of Selling Agency

THE POOL RECEIPT

Wheat Pooling is Low Issue in the Argentine

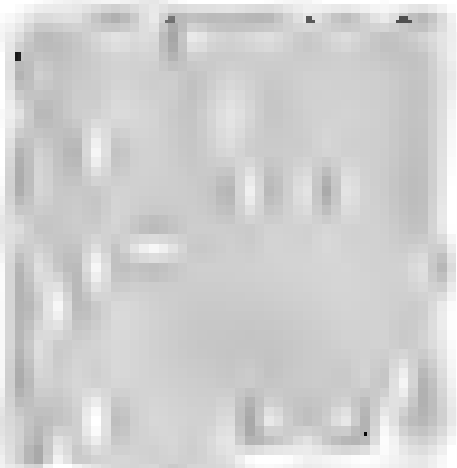
FARM STORAGE NOW EFFECTIVE

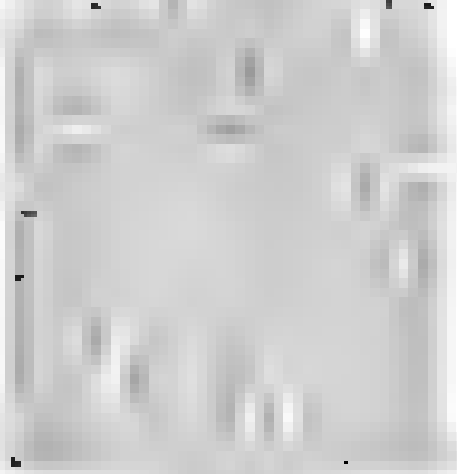
Pool Statistician Describes Quality of Present Canadian Wheat Crop

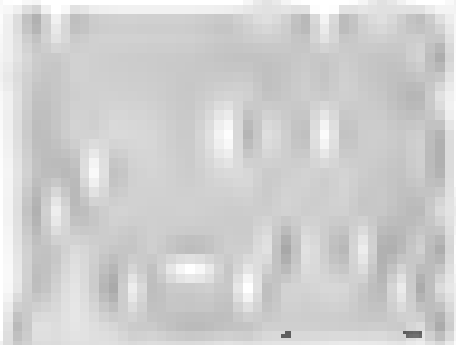
HEADS POOL RESEARCH DEPT

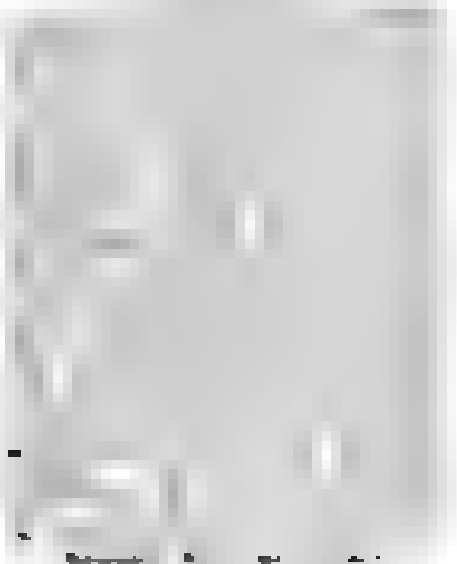
The Issue is Democracy

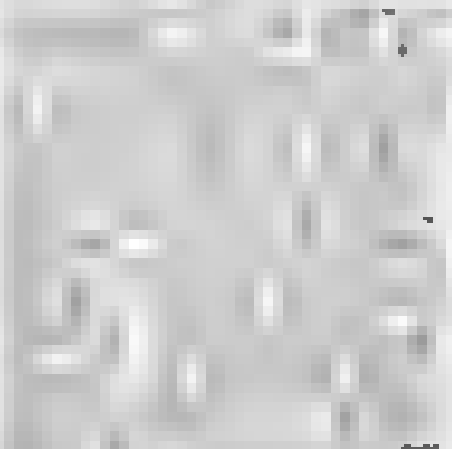
The Educational Experiment of Soviet Russia











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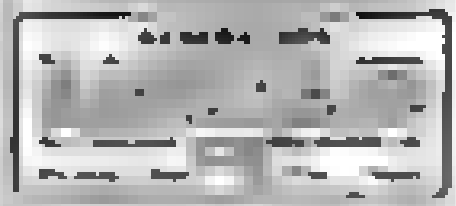

Interests of the United Farm Women

Activities of the U.F.W.A.

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U. F. W. A. Cook Book Wins Many Compliments

Suggests Peace Conference of Canadian Women

Program of the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the United Farm Women of Alberta

11:10—Report of Immigration Committee, presented by Mrs. E. Fry.
11:30—Discussion and Resolutions.

Thursday Afternoon.
Joint session with U.F.A.

Friday Morning, January 25th.
9:20—Community singing, led by H. P. Brown, University of Alberta.
9:35—Report of Committee on Press and Publication, presented by Mrs. R. P. Kent.
Discussion and Resolutions.
10:10—Financial Statement.
10:30—Report of Committee on Education, presented by Mrs. F. C. Hopkins.
11:10—Discussion and Resolutions.
11:30—Miss Phoebe Warren, Home Service, Extension Department, University of Alberta.

Friday Afternoon.
1:30—Community singing, led by H. P. Brown, University of Alberta.
1:35—Report of Committee on Social Welfare, presented by Mrs. Carlson.
2:10—Dr. M. C. Thompson, Registrar in Relationship to Social Hygiene.
2:30—Discussion and Resolutions.
3:00—Mrs. H. E. Spencer.
3:30—E. A. Corbett, M.A., Director, Extension Department, University of Alberta.
4:00—Social Hour.

Membership Drive Will Close December 31st

U.F.W.A. Executive Decides Plans for Campaign Considered

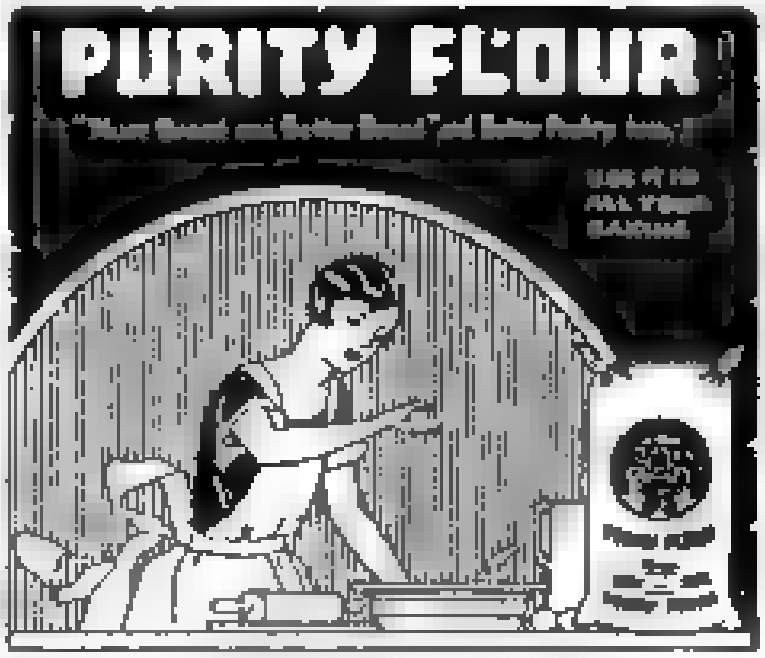
The membership drive sponsored by the Executive of the U.F.W.A. is continuing throughout the Province, and will not be concluded until December 31st, an extension of time by the Month having been decided upon at a meeting of the Executive held in Calgary on November 2nd and 3rd. The Executive proposed that the extension of time should be contingent upon no protest being entered by any Director. Note has been received. The good priority manifested in the Locals throughout the Province was the reason for asking the Executive to make the extension.

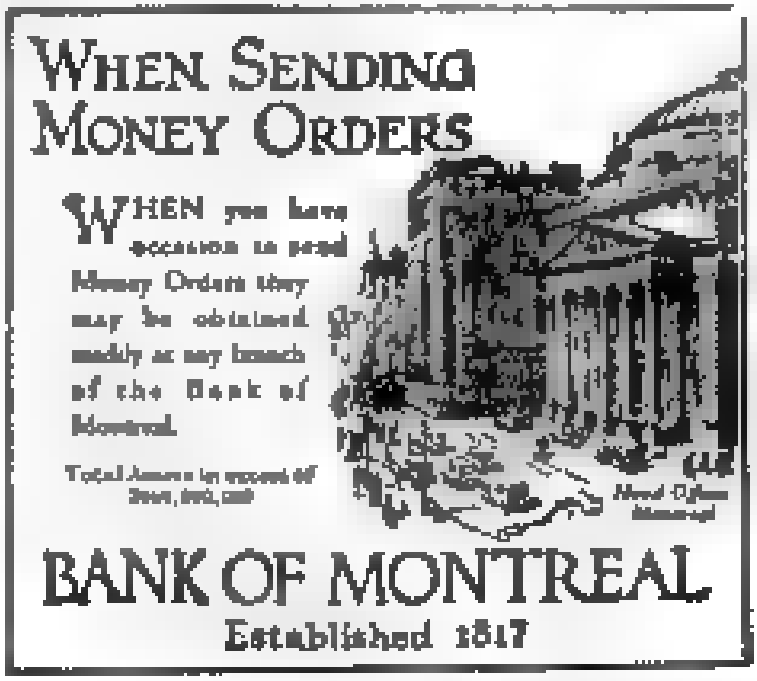
Mrs. Field Convalescent

Mrs. Guss reported that satisfactory progress was being made by Mrs. Field. The Executive decided to send her a gift of flowers. Prior to the meeting Mrs. Field had been able to leave the hospital, and has left for the Pacific coast to recuperate.

A suggestion that if Alberta School Week becomes an annual affair, no date should be made to coincide with those of the Educational Week observed annually in the United States from November 8th to 15th was made by Mrs. Wyman. It was decided that the suggestion should be made to the Alberta Teachers' Alliance, as the week of the second to the second week marketing such a course.

The greater part of the Executive session was devoted to preparations for the Annual Convention, including the completion of details of the program which is published herewith. Mrs. Beatty and Mrs. Hunter were appointed a committee to look after musical items, and community singing. It was decided that Mrs. H. E. Spencer, Miss Jessie Alexander, E. A. Corbett, and Dr.





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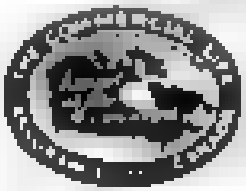

Thousands of the Social Programs [illegible]

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Dominion Radio Service

Mrs. [illegible] Miss Marion [illegible] [illegible] Miss Marion [illegible] [illegible]

Resolutions for the U.F.W.A. Convention

In addition to the resolutions printed [illegible]

Fees for High School Students

[illegible]

Seasonable Recipes

By Alice Cooke

Sugar Bread — This is considered to be [illegible]

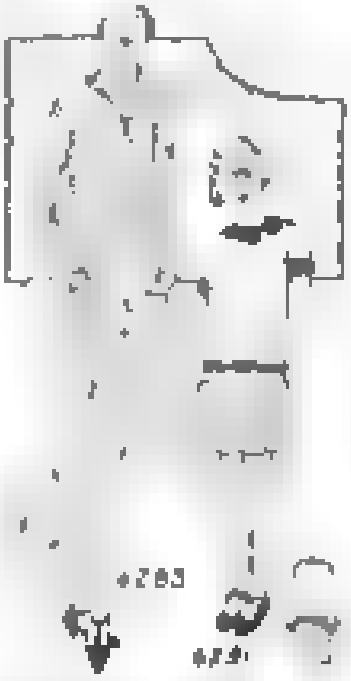
English Mince Meat — [illegible]

[illegible]

Sandwich Filling — [illegible]

"The U.F.A." Pattern Department

[illegible] Patterns [illegible]



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Director Speaks at Many Meetings, Athabasca

Mrs. A. H. Ware, U.F.W.A. Director for Athabasca, addressed a series of meetings in the interests of the organization beginning on November 22nd.

As the train was late Mrs. Ware was able to speak at the Forest Grove meeting. She addressed a meeting at Quebec School on November 23rd and on Sunday spoke to an appreciative meeting in the Jamboulan district. On Monday afternoon Mrs. Ware spoke to another meeting in Quebec School, when the Fourth Jackpine Local was organized. In the same evening she addressed a meeting at Sarrail, here the Juniors decided to join the Fourth Local and make the Local a union local. The names of Jackpine Junior, where Mrs. Ware spoke on November 5th, decided to join the main local instead of organizing a U.F.W.A. She joined Grassmere U.F.W.A. at their regular meeting on the 6th. Mrs. Ware accepted the invitation to return to the Grassmere Local on a address an evening meeting with the 20th a meeting was held in the district across the Athabasca River. After attending the convention of the Athabasca Constituency Association in Edmonton, Mrs. Ware spoke at Bechtelsville Friday, November 30th, and organized the Bechtelsville Junior Local. Mrs. Ware also addressed meetings at Tawatinaw and Nestow. Meetings at other points in the constituency were held during the first two weeks of November.

Comparative Statement of U.F.W.A. Membership

Locals	Dec. 1, 27 to Nov. 30, 28	Dec. 1, 28 to Nov. 30, 29
Acadia	4	2
Athabasca	4	63
Battle River	164	55
Bow River	280	32
East Calgary	62	25
West Calgary		
Camrose	165	205
East Edmonton	38	47
West Edmonton	68	33
Lethbridge	212	254
Mid West	205	320
Medicine Hat	54	44
Peace River North	52	69
Red Deer	57	55
Vegreville	9	158
Wetaskiwin	[illegible]	200
Totals	1307	[illegible]
Increase		344

WOMEN IN MEN'S LOCALS

Locals	From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 27	From Jan. 1 to Dec. 6
Acadia	50	102
Athabasca	4	7
Battle River	36	115
Bow River	34	28
East Calgary	5	6
West Calgary		
Camrose	80	67
East Edmonton		
West Edmonton	8	5
Lethbridge	7	33
Mid West	10	
Medicine Hat	24	8
Peace River North	23	22
Peace River South	40	32
Red Deer	22	29
Vegreville	17	19
Wetaskiwin	41	30
	366	502

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U. F. A. Junior Activities

Juniors and the Annual Convention

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2nd Prize	$[illegible]	Cash Prize	[illegible]	Cash for 22nd Prize	
3rd Prize	$[illegible]	Cash Prize	[illegible]	[illegible] cash	
100 Prizes of $1.00 each			$[illegible] in Special Prizes		

$1000 in $10,000 in Consolation Awards

Every qualified Contestant will immediately receive an award (value up to $7.00) regardless of any other prize.

Name The Twin Gypsy Girls

Rosa, a Gypsy Queen, [illegible] twin sisters in Canada to match her twin sister, whom she has not seen for a number of years. Will you help us in the search? Rosa and her sister Gypsy girl are pictured above. [illegible] of the girls are [illegible] only [illegible] a crowd. ROSA'S TWIN [illegible] Rosa and [illegible] the twin [illegible] Can you find the twin? [illegible] is a very difficult one, but is [illegible] very interesting and profitable too.

Rules To Aid You In Winning

1. Use the coupon and neatly print your name, [illegible] and full address in space provided. [illegible] a short and graceful [illegible]
2. Write neatly the names of the three Gypsy girls in the spaces at the foot of the coupon.
3. Give as much information about each girl as you can.
4. Prizes will be awarded by a judging committee of three Toronto business men in no way connected with us.
5. In case of ties the taker of the [illegible] which shall be best [illegible] [illegible] will be [illegible]
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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS 1927-28 POOL

To Payment to Growers—		
Initial Payment	$93,606,[illegible]	
First Interim Payment	6,[illegible]	
Second Interim Payment	9,[illegible]	
Final Payment	1,[illegible]	
		$[illegible]
Amounts Credited Growers in respect of		
Elevator Reserve	$ 1,447,[illegible]	
Commercial Reserve	[illegible]	
		$ 37,[illegible]
Operation and Administration Expenses as per Schedule		260,374.54
Exchange and Stamp Tax on Payments to Growers		32,447.55
		$[illegible]

By Net Proceeds from Sale of Wheat		$[illegible]
Freight Retention Adjustments	$ 49.45	
Growers Non-Delivery Damages	920.[illegible]	
Interest	36,[illegible]	
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	
		[illegible]
		$[illegible]

Operation and Administration Expenses for the Year Ended 31st August, 1928

OFFICE EXPENSES

Operating	
Salaries	$ 36,[illegible]
Printing and Stationery	[illegible]
Telegrams and Telephones	[illegible]
Postage	[illegible]
Travelling	[illegible]
Office Alterations	[illegible]
Audit Fees	[illegible]
Legal Fees	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Bond Insurance	[illegible]
Rental and Upkeep, Furniture & Equipment	[illegible]
Income Tax Investigation Fees	[illegible]
	$[illegible]
Fixed:	
Rent	$ [illegible]
Taxes and Licenses	[illegible]
Insurance & Depreciation of Furniture & Equipment	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

Directors Fees and Expenses	$ [illegible]
Annual Meeting	[illegible]
Membership Lists	[illegible]
Ballots of Delegates	[illegible]
Special Circulars	[illegible]
Staff Insurance	[illegible]
Wheat Pool Lands Expense Account	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]

PUBLICITY

Salaries	$ [illegible]
Printing and Stationery	[illegible]
Telegrams and Telephones	[illegible]
Postage	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Subscriptions	[illegible]
Travelling	[illegible]
Bond Insurance	[illegible]
Rental and Upkeep, Furniture & Equipment	[illegible]
Advertising "Contract"	[illegible]
Radio Broadcasts	[illegible]
Engraving Plates and Photos	[illegible]
Circulars and Pamphlets	[illegible]
Calendars	[illegible]
Space of Advertising	[illegible]
U. F. A. Newspaper	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]

FIELD SERVICE

Salaries	$ [illegible]
Printing and Stationery	[illegible]
Telegrams and Telephones	[illegible]
Postage	[illegible]
Travelling	[illegible]
Automobile Operation	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Bond Insurance	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]
Total Expenses	$260,374.54

SECOND SERIES ORGANIZATION EXPENSES ACCRUED AGAINST 1928-32

Salaries	$ [illegible]
Printing and Stationery	[illegible]
Telegrams and Telephones	[illegible]
Postage	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Directors Fees and Expenses	[illegible]
Commissions	[illegible]
Contracts Expense	[illegible]
Country Meetings	[illegible]
Special Delegates Meetings and Ballot	[illegible]
Proportion Educational Expenses incurred 1926-27	[illegible]
Advertising	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]
Less amount Initial Organization Fund, First Series	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]

POOL STATISTICS Etc

(Continued from page 16)

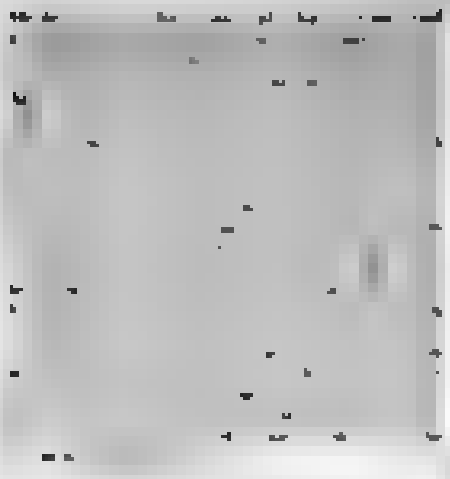
grain started east, west and south and with all other interests working to improve the quality of the farmers' product.

Mr. Carter said the Research Council is planning on making a scientific study of protein content as a possible grading factor. He said farmers in parts of Northern and Central Alberta would suffer if protein were introduced as a grading factor and the dried parts of Alberta with their high protein wheat would benefit. British millers will not pay a premium for high protein wheat because of the ample world supply and the fact that British people do not demand the same bread with high protein as do people in the United States. There are high premiums on high protein wheat in the U. S. A. at times because there is a big demand for it and the tariff keeps out foreign supplies.

OFFER TALK ON NEW AUTOMATIC SAMPLER

Bob Strode, in charge of the weighing and check of Saskatchewan Pool grain, delivered an interesting talk to the Alberta Wheat Pool delegates on the new automatic sampler which has been put into operation at all Pool terminals. This sampler will be used by Pool officials in case the place of the stab which has been used by the Government Grading Department up to the present. The automatic sampler operates on the huge delivery belts in the terminals. It picks up a small sample at regular intervals and thus provides a fair and true sample of the grain in each particular car. Mr. Peets gave it as his opinion that in the very near future the Government would insist on the introduction of these automatic samplers in every terminal elevator.

The Government has taken over the operation of these samplers in the Pool



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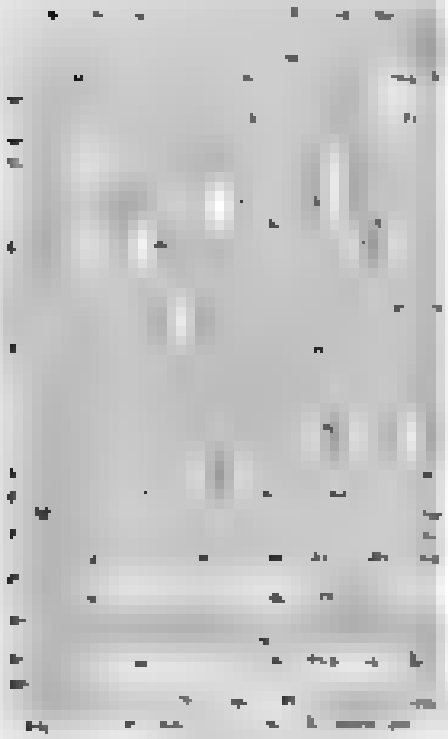

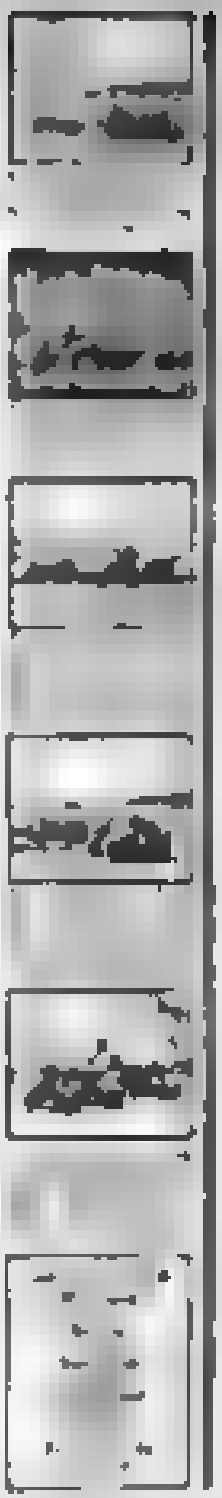

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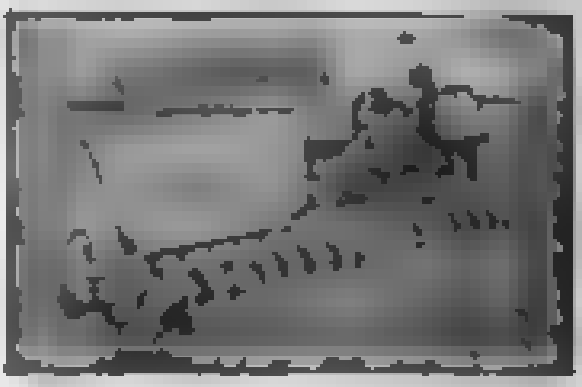

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Northern Alberta Dairy Pool Pays Substantial Dividends

[illegible] East Moss and his charming Mrs [illegible] Dennis Gallery" [illegible] Chewing, another [illegible] and etc. We might go [illegible] and Copenhagen, but what [illegible]

[illegible] HOLT

Cowgarth Alta.

PACKING PLANT FACILITIES

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Making It Easy to Choose Smokers' Gifts

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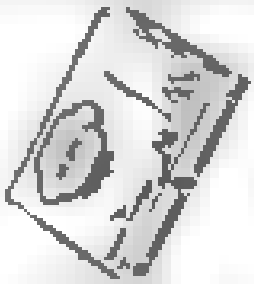

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NEWS FROM ALBERTA LIVESTOCK POOL HEAD OFFICE

Dominion Wide Cooperative Livestock Organization Planned

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] this consideration equitably for the

Purpose of Dominion Body

following purposes for incorporation Producers, Ltd., were decided on:

[illegible]

4. Provincial contract organizations [illegible]

3. To encourage the grading and standardization of livestock products [illegible]

[illegible] offices of our co-operatives through-

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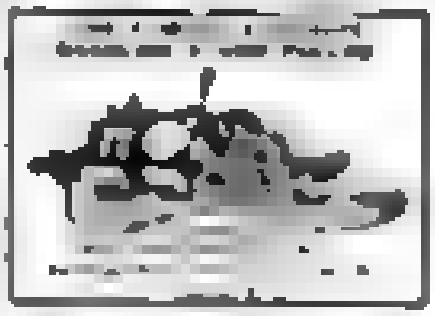

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take care of the surplus. It has already been filled four times. This month was attended by E. E. Blackham, Pool field service man.

H. W. Kerr's Action

The legal action commenced by H. W. Kerr of Jenner, former member of the Alberta Wheat Pool, for $1,500 damages will not be heard until December 16th. The Pool has entered its defence that the action is one for arbitration as the by-laws of the Wheat Pool provide that any disagreement between a members and the organization must be arbitrated.

New Grading Committee

The following resolution was passed at the Annual Wheat Pool meeting:

Be it resolved that a committee be appointed to devise a new system of grading and secure the necessary changes to be made, namely, that A ... that weight per bushel be the basis of the different grades, that experiments be carried out to establish to what extent weight per bushel does not represent the milling value of wheat damaged by frost, smut, sprout and other such causes, and if necessary a scale of penalties in pounds per bushel for percentage of such damage be used in determining the grade. It was agreed that the committee should be appointed by the Board of Directors of the Pool and should report back to the next annual meeting.

News & Views

Saskatchewan Pool delegates have just been elected. There are 100 delegates in the Saskatchewan Pool. The returning officer for the Wheat Pool election in that province is Regina city clerk.

George H. Meyrhofer, writing in Grain World, says: "November passed out quietly. It was a lull month in the grain movement of Western Canada and also a month of stabilized prices. Considering the bearish statistics with which the news has been featured, an enormous visible supply, good crop prospects in the southern hemisphere and favorable conditions for the winter wheat crop of the United States, the small decline is remarkable."

In the matter of the disposition of the surplus earnings of Saskatchewan Pool elevators for the past crop year, the Pool Delegates decided at their recent annual meeting that the excess charges refund should be made to Growers in cash at the earliest possible date instead of being retained in Head Office and credited to the individual grower. It was felt that Growers are in need of this money and that it would be preferable to follow the sheep plan rather than set such money far to the advantage of the elevator system.

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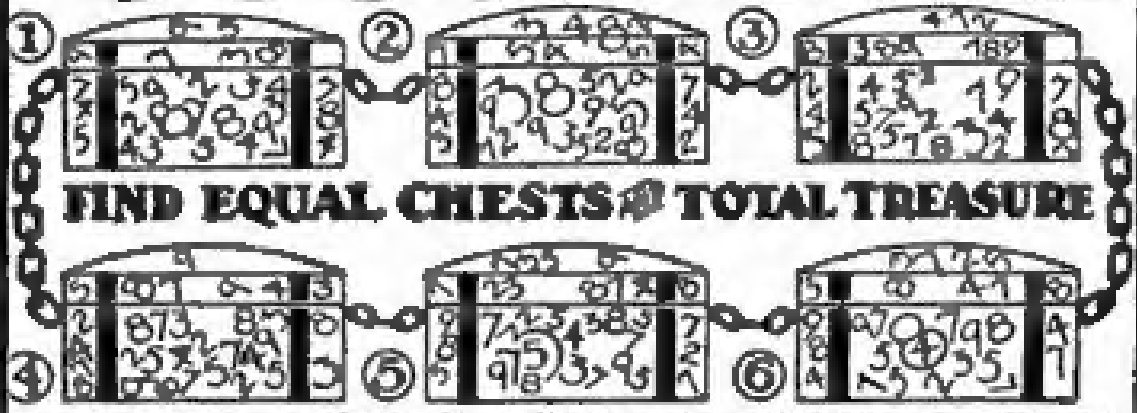

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In conclusion, the speaker prescribed his remedies—a properly organized fruit pool; freight at cost (it was being done in the case of coal, why not of fruit?); handling at cost, and sale to the co-operative wholesale organizations in the prairies. He called attention to the fact that the U.S. tariff against Canadian fruit is only 20 cents a box as against the Canadian tariff of 39 cents.

A hearty vote of thanks to the speaker for his most informative address was adopted.

The Local adopted a resolution on the car order book to be presented to the East Calgary Convention, and also directed the drafting of a resolution urging provincial ownership of the supply and generation of electrical power. Messrs. Guy W. Johnson, L. Mackinnon and J. F. Dole were chosen as delegates to the East Calgary Convention.

Mr. Johnson presided.

Conclude Successful Tour of Bow River

Revival of Interest in U.F.A. Movement —New Locals Formed—Old Re-organized

The tour of the Bow River constituency by Harvey Hanson, Director, H. W. Leonard, President of the U.F.A. Federal Constituency Association, and E. J. Garland, M.P., was concluded on November 27th, after a successful series of meetings, at which a number of new Locals were formed, inactive Locals were re-organized, and a marked increase in U.F.A. activities was manifest.

Bow City Local Revived

On November 20th the party were informed that there was an opportunity to organize a Local at Bow City, where the former Local had been dead for some years. A visit was accordingly paid to the locality, and the speakers were greeted by a surprisingly large audience, considering the sparseness of settlement, due to the fact that this has been one of the worst of the dried out areas. A new Local was organized, with 14 members, 10 of whom paid their dues at the meeting and elected the following officers: A. K. Anderberg, president; Charles Lee, vice-president; Hugh Robinson, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. O. A. Craige and Frank Craige, directors. The party were entertained most hospitably by Mrs. Westgate.

At Carmangay, on November 22nd, some 50 persons attended a meeting, in the afternoon, filling the room in which the U.F.A. visitors spoke, and at least a dozen men were standing throughout the addresses. Here A. W. Crummey, of the Wheat Pool, and H. H. Hull, secretary of the Prohibition Association, were met, both gentlemen giving short but interesting speeches on their special subjects "between the acts."

At Plainfield School

Perhaps the best meeting of the series was that in the Plainfield school on the evening of November 22nd, both from the standpoint of attendance and on the social side. The school room was packed and the interest keen, as indicated by the questions asked. A dance followed, which for cheeriness and fun could not have been excelled. The party were entertained that night by "Sandy" Frazer, the poet, who wrote the parody of Kipling's "Even as You and I," about the too-smart farmer who would not join the U.F.A. and the Wheat Pool, which appeared in *The U.F.A.* some time ago, and also in the *Western Producer* and *Scoop Shovel*. What with Burns read by "Sandy," Shelley by "Ted," Shakespeare by Harvey, and the music, it was a wonderful night—a real night up to 4 o'clock. "Mr. Frazer's family is musical; we had a pianist of real ability, a violinist, banjoist, a singer with a voice of remarkable beauty, and with Mr. Garland on the tambourine it was a feast of song, poetry and oratory, the latter being terrible," reads the report received by *The U.F.A.* from one of the party.

Receive Reinforcements

On November 23rd there was a good meeting at Reid Hill in the afternoon in the fine new community hall, and in the evening, when addresses were given at Sunset Valley school house, the party were joined by Sam Brown, M.L.A., and H. R. Macleod, U.F.A. Director, who took part in the speaking with good effect.

On November 24th, many members from Berrywater and Red Cross Locals joined the local members of the Association at a well-attended meeting at Mayview schoolhouse, at which more questions were asked than at any other place throughout the tour. On the Sunday, November 25th, the party were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Wilson Oldfield, a director of Bow River U.F.A. Federal Constituency Association.

Gleichen Board of Trade Entertained

A good meeting at Kirkdale Local was held on November 26th, with Fred Dann, the president, in the chair. On November 27th the Gleichen board of trade attended, almost to a man, a meeting to which they had been invited. An excellent chicken supper preceded the speaking. In the vicinity of 150 persons attended, and the board of trade president expressed the board's thanks for the hospitality extended to them. President McBain, of the Local U.F.A., was in the chair.

The tour was concluded the same night at a card party at Tudor, at which Mr. Garland spoke briefly.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT CROP

The 1928 wheat crop of Australia, is placed at 150 million bushels, states *Foreign Crops and Markets* of Washington, D.C. This figure is given in a cable from the International Institute of Agriculture. The estimate is lower than early unofficial reports indicated; these ranged all the way from 165 million to 200 million bushels. The crop, however, according to this latest estimate, is about 33 million bushels above the latest figure for last year's crop, which was 117 million bushels.

A record acreage was sown this year in Australia, but drought in the important eastern and southern areas appears to have cut down the yields materially. Stocks from the present crop appear to be almost exhausted, and will probably be entirely used up before the new crop begins to come on the market.

EDITORIAL

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inquiry brought evidence of debauching of ex-government officials, of university professors, of the schools, of men who have occupied seats in legislative bodies, and of the press, by the Power Trust. Is that not "news" also?

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THREE PER MILE—NOT FIVE

In reference to the subject of rural electrification, we find that there is a mistaken impression that the Ontario Hydro-electric Power Commission insist on a minimum of FIVE contracts per mile before they will undertake to provide for rural services. The minimum, as stated in our last issue, upon information received from the Commission, is THREE per mile.

The electrical engineer who contributed to our columns the article on the power situation, contended that the normal power consumption on Alberta farms is three times as great as the consumption on the average farm in Ontario, taking into account the power now required for tractors, separators, and so forth, and suggested that if electricity were used for such purposes, one contract per mile would give the same consumption in Alberta as those in Ontario. We regret that owing to pressure upon our space, a further article by this contributor must be held over until our next issue.

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THE NEWER PATRIOTISM

A notable feature of the recent Armistice Day observances at the cenotaph in London was the presence in the procession of a new "patriotic" society—a Fascist organization—a Fascist women's organization. The ideal of Fascism is scientific autocracy—the complete subordination by force of a whole people to the will of one man. There were many men of the race of Milton and Shelley and John Stuart Mill who thought during the years of the war that this was the sort of social ideal they were fighting against.

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PEACE PACT AND ARMAMENTS

Winnipeg Tribune

If the nations subscribing to the Kellogg treaty attached their signatures in good faith and believed the other nations to be signing in good faith there is no need for rivalry in armaments. If good faith and mutual confidence are lacking in the consummation of the treaty it is a useless document and its rejection by the American Senate would be no setback to the cause of world peace.

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